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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PDIP, PINR, IZ
SUBJECT: IRAQI AMBASSADORIAL SHIFTS

REF: BAGHDAD 824 (NOTAL)

1. WE HAVE SECONDHAND REPORT FROM FORMER CHIEF OF
PRESIDENTIAL PROTOCOL, WHO CONTINUES TO TALK TO THE
PRESIDENT ABOUT DIPLOMATIC MATTERS, THAT A SHUFFLE OF SENIOR
IRAQI AMBASSADORS IS IMMINENT. ACCORDING TO THIS REPORT,
REGIME WILL ASSIGN TO PARIS AMBASSADOR NURI AL-WAIS, WHO
WAS IN CAIRO PRIOR TO THE BREAK IN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
BETWEEN IRAQ AND EGYPT. (THE TRANSFER OF AMBASSADOR MUNDHIR
AL-WINDAWI FROM PARIS TO ROME HAS ALREADY BEEN
ANNOUNCED LOCALLY.) SOURCE ALSO REPORTED THAT IRAQI
AMBASSADOR TO LONDON, TAHA DAOUD, HAD BEEN REASSIGNED TO
JIDDA AND THAT IRAQI AMBASSADOR TO MADRID, SALAH OMAR AL-ALI,
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WOULD BE THE NEW PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UN.
BRITISH EMBASSY SOURCES EXPECT NO PROBLEM IN OBTAINING
AGREEMENT FOR THE IRAQI NOMINEE TO THE COURT OF ST. JAMES,
FORMER CHIEF OF THE PRESIDENTIAL DIWAN HISHAM AL-SHAWI.

2. COMMENT: IT IS NOTEWORTHY THAT THESE SHIFTS INVOLVE
MEN WITH DIPLOMATIC EXPERIENCE WHO ARE UNINVOLVED IN

CURRENT INTERNAL PLITICS. IF REGIME INTENDS TO FILL
ANY OF THE MANY VACANT POSITIONS (REFTEL) WITH BAATH PARTY
OR MILITARY FIGURES, IT MAY INTEND TO CHOOSE POSTS OF
LESSER IMPORTANCE FOR THAT PURPOSE. MAJOR VACANCIES REMAIN
AT BONN AND TEHRAN.
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